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Hello Volksblatt readers in the distant Texas!

The terrible war in Europe still rages in the East and on the West front. There has not been such a terrible war since the beginning of time. We hear from our acquaintances that injured or fallen soldiers cannot be moved from the very front but have to be left to their fate. Many could be saved but all is in vain. What will happen when the warmer weather starts? You sometimes think all humankind should be destroyed. It seems like all the progress the Europeans have made over the centuries will be their own downfall and the Asiatic peoples, the Japanese, will get rid of the white people. The decision should be left to the one who judges fairly.

I read in your paper that fratricide is judged superficially. Industry comes first, "Shall I be my brother's keeper?" This is the situation in Markirch in Alsace with Jesus at the cross. The cross has been shot away and Jesus spreads his arms over the great misery in that area. The cross will also be our foothold in all this suffrage. The neutral powers do not recognize our cross. Jesus Christ who suffered for all of us on Good Friday will give us the strength to gain victory from all the lost blood.

Written on Good Friday by your Texan in Baden,

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